

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Automatic paint stirring equipment of the type used in automotive finish and repair shops. The equipment includes a rack which is adapted to support a plurality of paint cans. The rack has a plurality of can-receiving stations and each receiving station includes an anti-rotation channel. A drive member is rotatably mounted to each receiving station while a motor mounted to the rack is drivingly connected to the drive members to rotatably drive the drive members in unison with each other. A lid is detachably secured across an open top of each paint can. A stirring assembly is rotatably mounted to the lid and includes a stirrer positioned inside the can, a stirrer shaft secured to the stirrer and rotatably mounted to the lid, and a driven member drivingly connected to the shaft above the lid. An anti-rotation boss extends upwardly from the upper surface of the lid. Upon insertion of the lid with its attached can into the can-receiving station, the drive member drivingly engages the driven member and, simultaneously, the anti-rotation boss is positioned within the anti-rotation channel to prevent rotation of the can about the axis of the stirrer shaft.